



Takarabune

Takarabune, meaning "treasure ship", is the word for a sailboat which was used to transport coral, gold and silver, gemstones, bales of rice, and other precious commodities.

In Japan, Takarabune are considered symbols of celebration, and ornamental models depicting the Seven Lucky Gods riding in a takarabune are often kept as lucky charms.

The Seven Lucky Gods consist of Ebisu, god of commercial prosperity; Daikokuten, god of harvest; Benzaiten, goddess of knowledge, art and beauty; Bishamonten, god of contest; Hoteison, god of fortune, relationships, and children; Fukurokuju, god of prosperity and longevity; and Juroujin, god of longevity and happiness.

These deities have long been considered gods of fortune and bringers of happiness.

[Assembly Instructions] : Fifth A4 Sheets

*Build the model by carefully reading the Assembly Instructions, in the parts sheet page order.

Assembly Instructions

Mountain fold

Valley fold

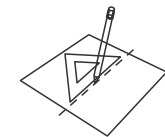
Scissors line

Cut in line

Glue spot

Glue reverse side

Attach here



Trace along the folds with a ruler and a used pen (no ink) to get a sharper, easier fold.

Tools and materials

Scissors, tweezers, set square, glue

Cylindrical rod (use to curl paper)

Assembly tips

Before cutting out the parts, it is a good idea to write numbers on the back of each part to avoid confusion later.

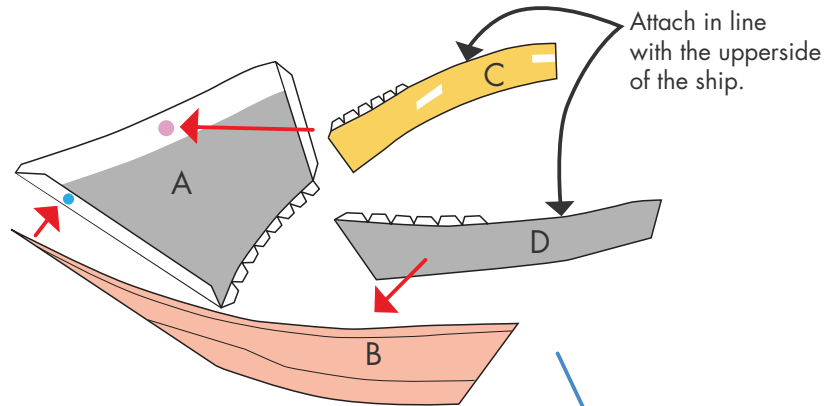
Take your time to cut out each part neatly. It is also a good idea to cut slots in advance too.

Before gluing the parts together, make preparatory folds along the fold lines. Use a cylindrical rod to curl the pieces that require curling.

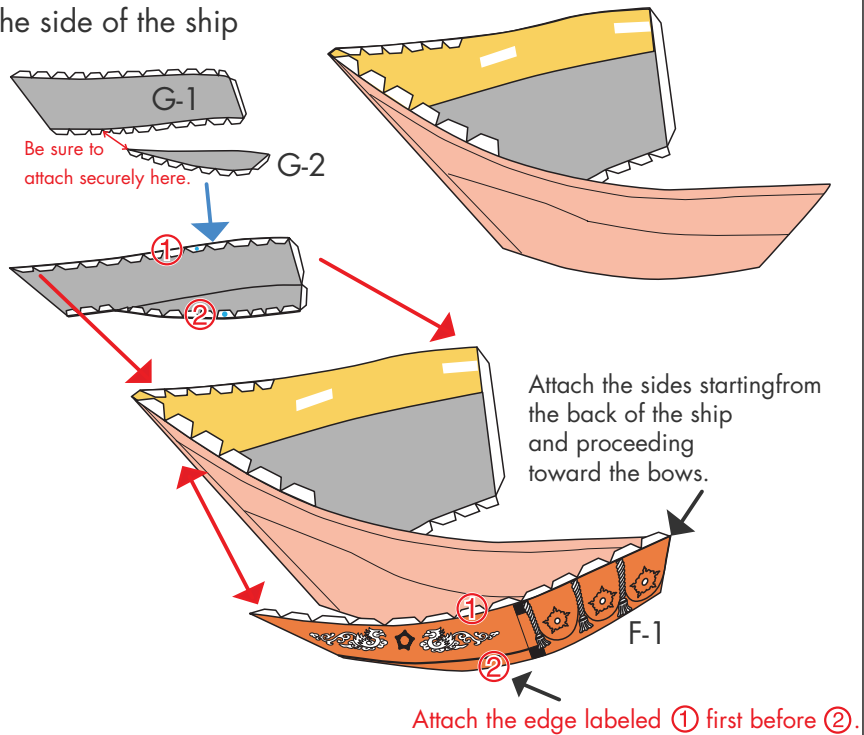
Caution

*Glue, scissors and other tools may be dangerous to young children so be sure to keep them out of the reach of young children.

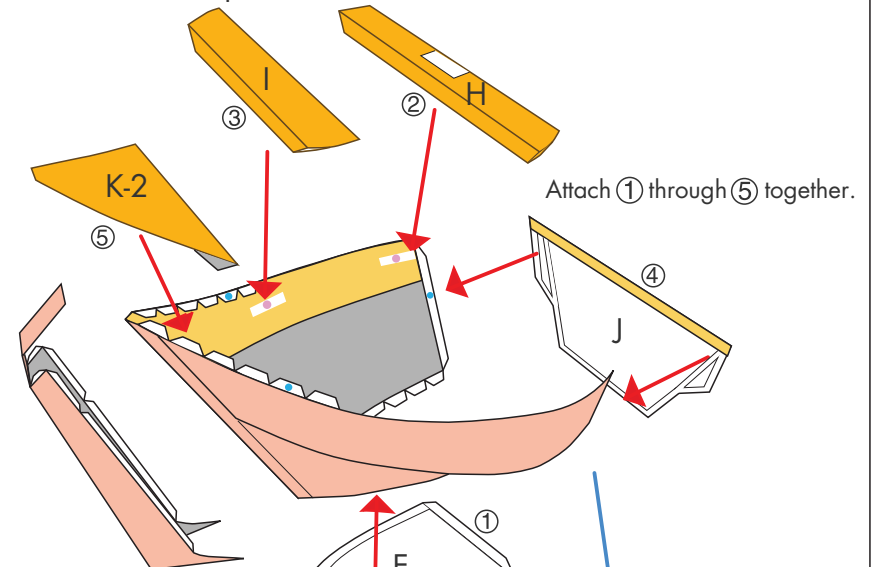
1. Assemble the hull



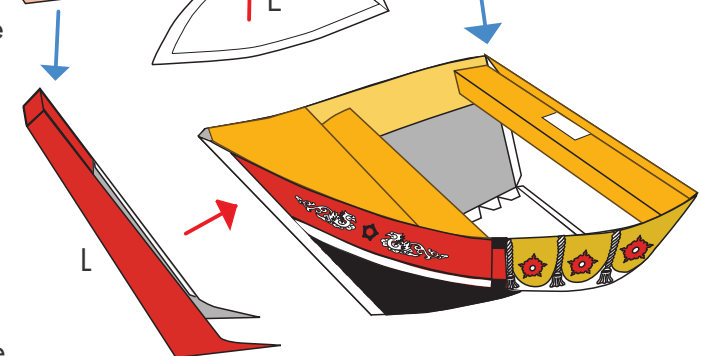
2. Assemble the side of the ship



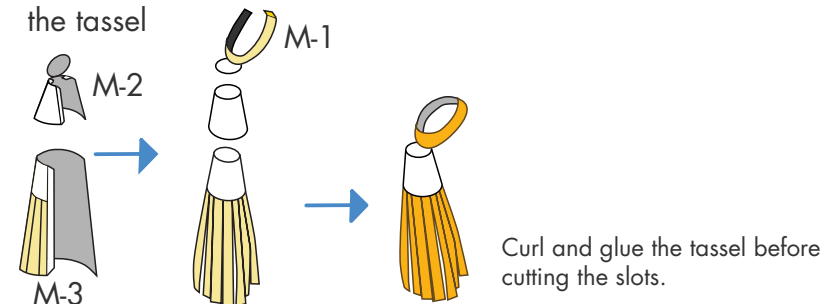
3. Assemble the ship



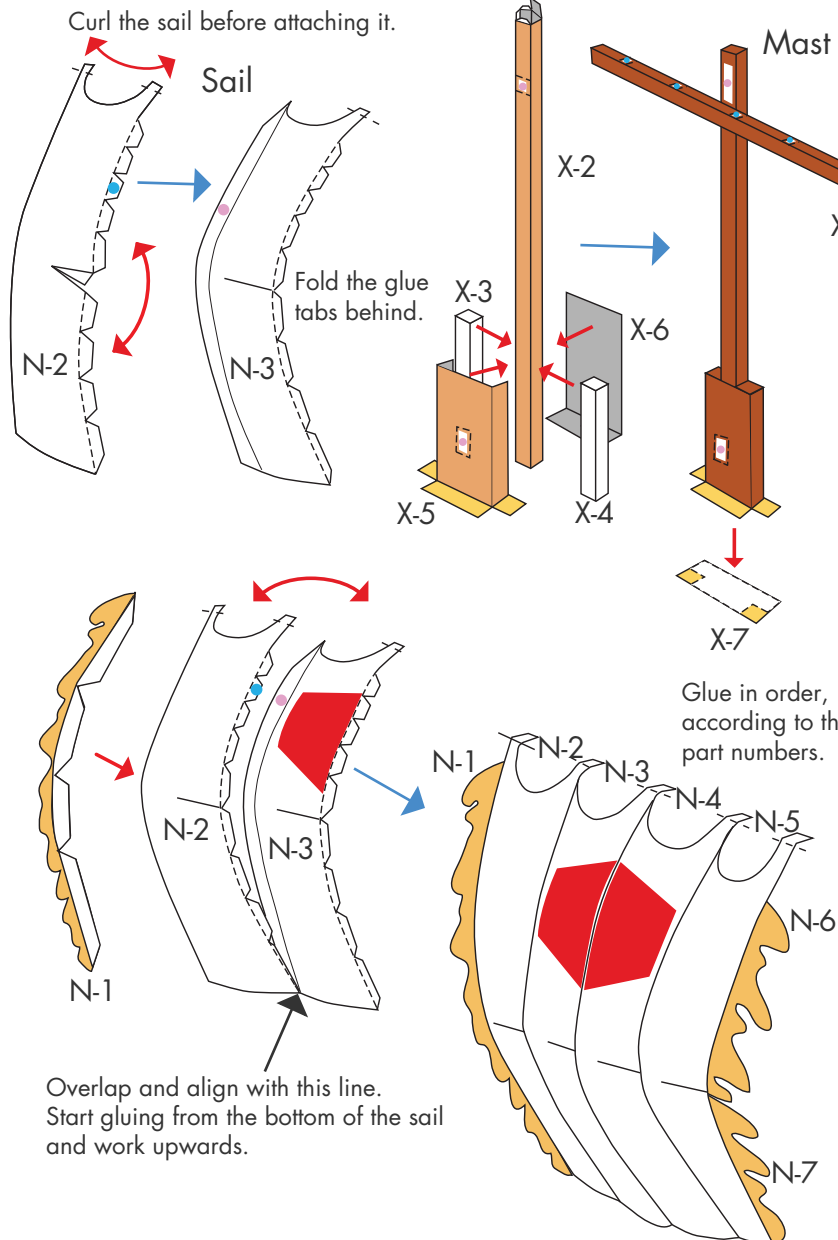
4. Assemble the bows



5. Assemble the tassel

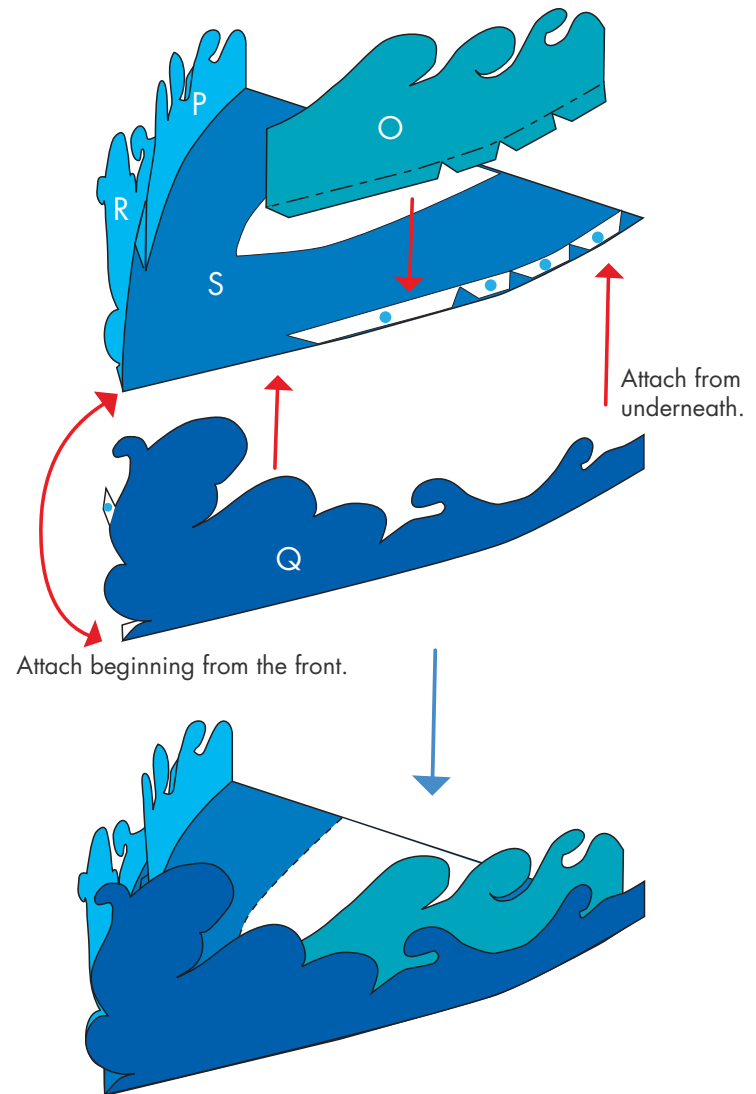


6. Assemble the sail

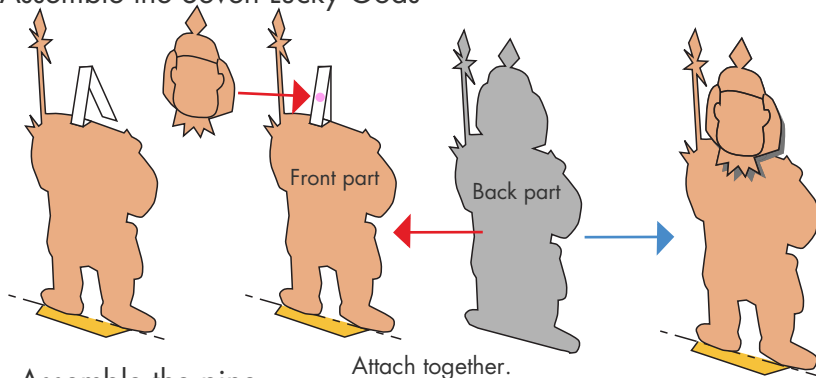


7. Assemble the mast

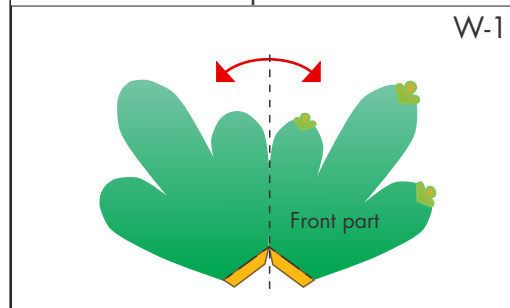
8. Assemble the wave



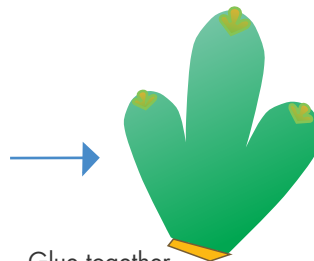
9. Assemble the Seven Lucky Gods



10. Assemble the pine

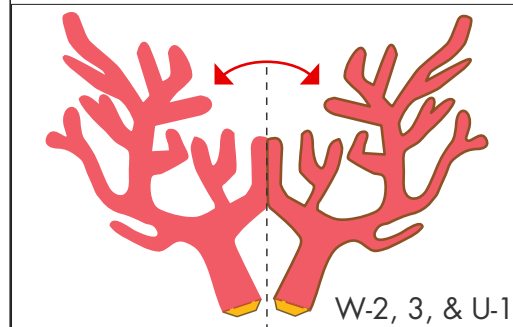


Assemble all 7 in the same way.

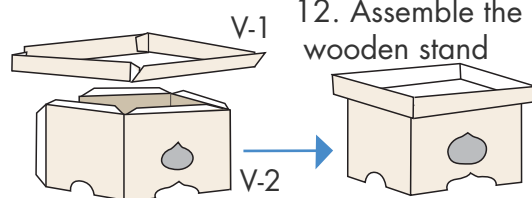


Glue together, then cut out starting from the edge with the line.

11. Assemble the coral



*This applies to all the coral.



12. Assemble the wooden stand

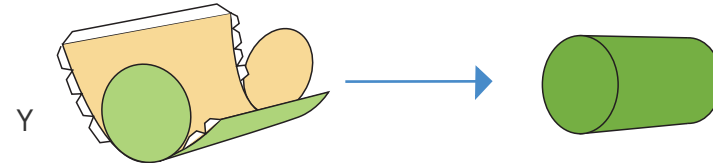
(Example Setup)

13. Assemble the treasure chests

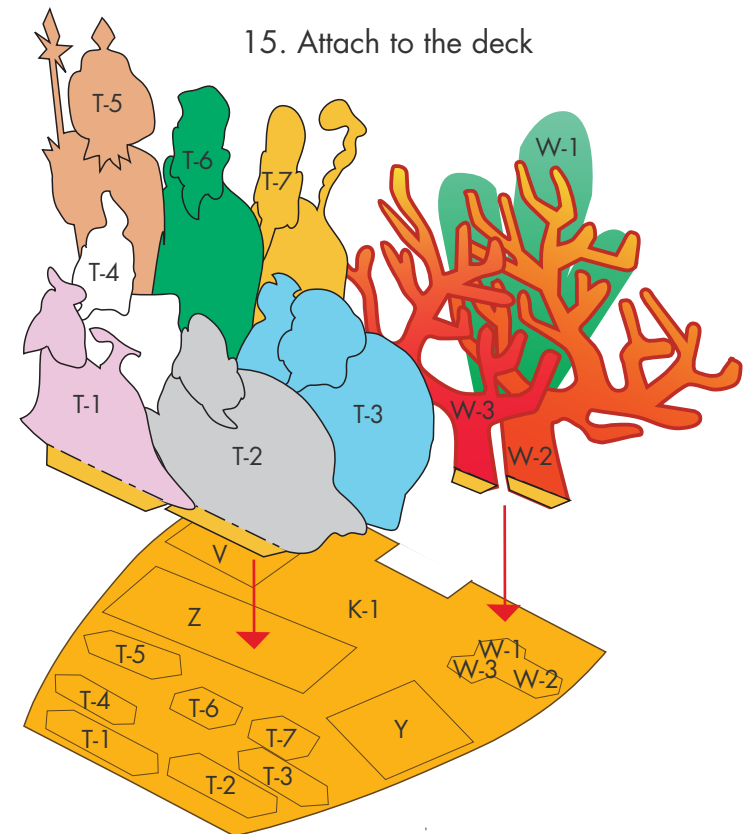


*Put the treasure chests, rice bales, and wooden stand behind the Seven Lucky Gods.

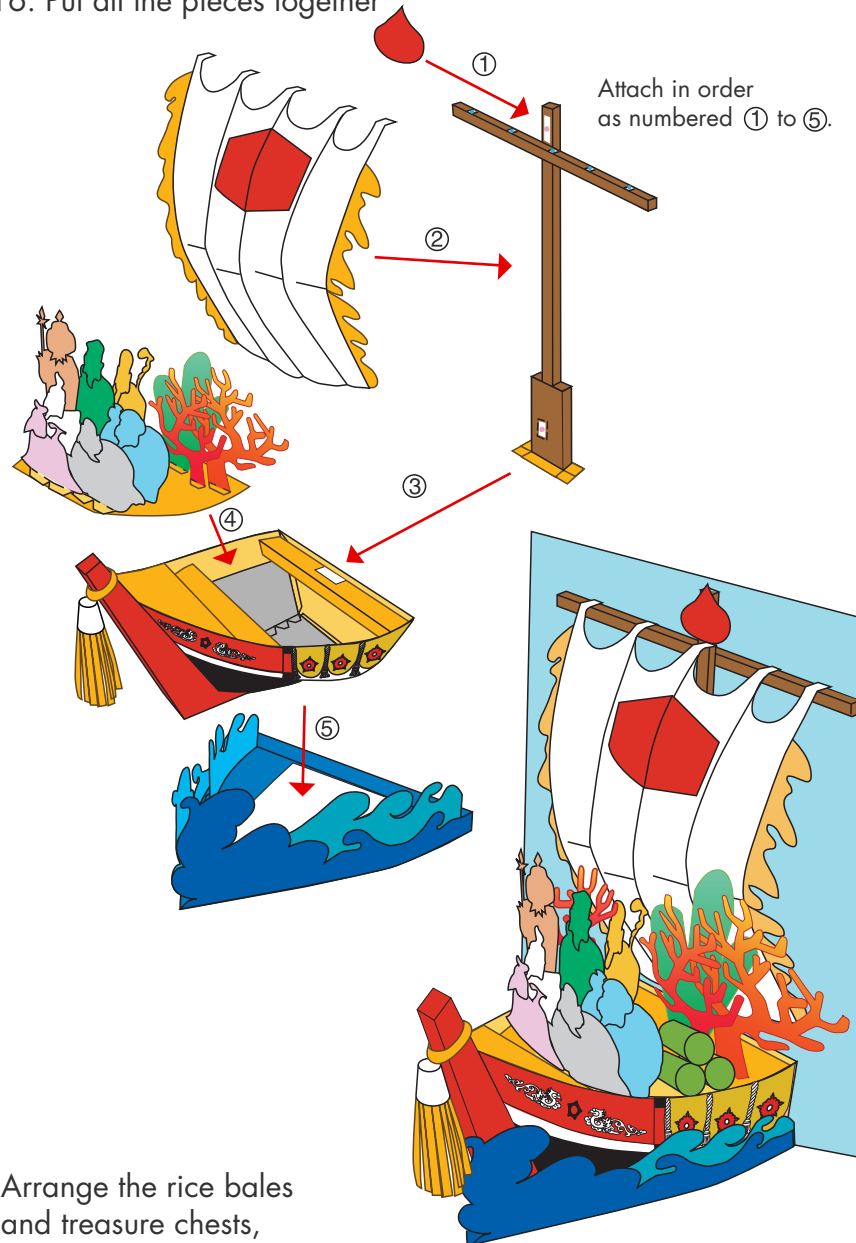
14. Assemble the rice bales



15. Attach to the deck



16. Put all the pieces together



Arrange the rice bales and treasure chests, and your takarabune is complete.

View of complete model



Seven Lucky Gods



There are three different backgrounds to choose from. Please select your favorite and attach it behind the ship.